

MOTION TO VACATE AND CORRECT SENTENCE PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. 2255

On 12-23-2013, this Honorable Court sentenced Petitioner to a term of 275 months imprisonment after finding that he/she had at least one prior felony conviction for a "crime of violence" as defined by the residual clause of U.S.S.G. § 4B1.2, which triggered application of the sentencing enhancement in U.S.S.G. § 391. This Guide Line's residual clause is materially indistinguishable from the residual clause found in the Armed Career Criminal Act ("ACCA"). (18 U.S.C. § 924(e)(2)(B)(ii)). On June 26, 2015, the Supreme Court in Johnson v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2551 (2015), struck down the ACCA's residual clause as void for vagueness. It follows that § 4B1.2's residual clause is likewise unconstitutionally vague. Therefore, the sentencing enhancement Petitioner received as a result of the Court's application of the residual clause in § 4B1.2 cannot be sustained, and the sentence Petitioner received must be vacated forthwith.

Invalidation of the ACCA's residual clause by the Court in Johnson compels the conclusion that § 4B1.2's identically worded residual clause also violates due process.

Taylor v. United States, 803 F.3d 931, 933 (8th Cir. 2015). Moreover, because the Supreme Court in Welch v. United States, 136 S. Ct. 1257 (2016), emphasized that "Johnson announced a substantive rule that has retroactive effect in cases on collateral review," Johnson's holding opens the door for Petitioner to collaterally attack his sentence without otherwise being time-barred.

That the holding of Johnson applies retroactively to invalidate the residual clause of § 4B1.2 is a premise that no court of authority in this Circuit has expressly rejected. To the contrary, the matter is currently on appeal before the Eighth Circuit. See, McCaughan v. United States, No. 16-2270, 16-2271, 16-2272 (8th Cir. 2016). In addition, there are at least three petitions for writs of certiorari pending before the United States Supreme Court, all of which address whether Johnson applies retroactively to the Guidelines. See, Jones v. United States, No. 15-8629 (cert_filed May 15, 2016); Beckles v. United States, No. 15-8544 (cert. filed May 9, 2016); and Rivero v. United States, No. 15-7776 (cert. filed Jan. The fact that the Court in Johnson relied on four lower court decisions interpreting § 4B1.2(a)(2)'s residual clause (and only two ACCA decisions) to demon strate that it "has proved nearly impossible" to "make sense of the residual clause" is telling. See 135 S. Ct. at 2559-60 (analyzing United States v. Carthorne, 726 F.3d 503 (4th Cir. 2013); United States v. Whitson, 597 F.3d 1218 (11th Cir. 2010); United States v. McDonald, 592 F.3d 808 (7th Cir. 2010); United States v. Williams, 559 F.3d 1143 (10th Cir. 2009)) - To be sure, to date the Supreme Court has vacated and remanded seventeen lower court decisions in which defendants had been sentenced under § 4B1.2(a)'s residual clause, including five cases on collateral review, in light of Johnson.1

Thus, the only plausible argument that Petitioner is *not* entitled to have his sentence vacated must be based on the assumption that his prior conviction qualifies as a "crime of violence" under the "enumerated offenses" clause or "elements" clause of the crime of violence definition in § 4B1.2(a). Petitioner's conviction does not qualify as a "crime of violence" under the enumerated offenses clause because the state statute of conviction does not match the generic definition of burglary, arson, extortion, or use of explosives offense. Likewise, it does not qualify as a "crime of violence" under the elements clause because it does not have as an element the use, attempted use, or threatened use of violent physical force.

As explained by the Supreme Court in Taylor v. United States, 495 U.S. 575 (1990), to decide whether a prior conviction falls under either one of these clauses, the court must engage in a meaningful review of the state statute of conviction using the categorical

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The GVRs include fifteen career offender cases, see Caldwell v. United States, 136 S. Ct. 417 (2015); Banks v. United States, 136 S. Ct. 365 (2015); McCarthren v. United States, 136 S. Ct. 332 (2015); Gonzales v. United States, 136 S. Ct. 84 (2015); Maldonaclo v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2929 (2015); Smith v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2930 (2015); Vinales v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2928 (2015); Richardson v. United States, No. 15-6 053, 2016 WL 763200 (S. Ct. Feb. 29, 2016); Moon v. United States, No. 15-7189, 2016 WL 1173109 (S. Ct. Mar. 28. 2016); Jeffries v. United States, No 157300, 2016 WL 1173110 (S. Ct. Mar. 28, 2016); Beckles v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2928 (2015) (§ 2255 motion); Denson v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2931 (2015) (§ 2255 motion); Jones v. United States, 136 S. Ct. 333 (2015) (§ 2255 motion); Wynn v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2945 (2015) (§ 2255 motion); one § 2 (2015) (§ 2255 motion); Wynn v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2937 (2015); and one § 7B1.1 case_ see Cooper v. United States, 135 S. Ct. 2938 (2015).

approach. It is simply insufficient for the court to classify a prior conviction as a "crime of violence" based solely on the title of the statute or a summary of facts contained in the PSR. It is for this reason that Petitioner requests that counsel be appointed. Counsel has access to legal research tools that Petitioner does not. Counsel has access to court records and state statutes that Petitioner does not. What's more, Counsel is in a better position to keep up to date on developments in the law which support Petitioner's claim for relief. Accordingly, Petitioner submitted an accompanying Motion to Appoint Counsel and urges the court to appoint counsel for him. The Federal Public Defender Office has indicated it will accept appointment in this case.

In conclusion, Petitioner's motion is timely under 28 U.S.C. § 2255(f)(3) because it has been filed within one year of the Supreme Court's decision in Johnson—a ruling which established a "newly recognized" right that is "retroactively applicable to cases on collateral review." Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court grant his § 2255 motion, vacate his current sentence, and re-sentence him accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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Motion to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct a Sentence By a Person in Federal Custody

(Motion Under 28 U.S.C. § 2255)

Instructions

- 1. To use this form, you must be a person who is serving a sentence under a judgment against you in a federal court. You are asking for relief from the conviction or the sentence. This form is your motion for relief.
- You must file the form in the United States district court that entered the judgment that you are challenging. If you want to challenge a federal judgment that imposed a sentence to be served in the future, you should file the motion in the federal court that entered that judgment.
- 3 Make sure the form is typed or neatly written.
- 4. You must tell the truth and sign the form. If you make a false statement of a material fact, you may be prosecuted for perjury.
- 5. Answer all the questions. You do not need to cite law. You may submit additional pages if necessary. If you do not fill out the form properly, you will be asked to submit additional or correct information. If you want to submit a brief or arguments, you must submit them in a separate memorandum.
- If you cannot pay for the costs of this motion (such as costs for an attorney or transcripts), you may ask to proceed in forma pauperis (as a poor person). To do that, you must fill out the last page of this form. Also, you must submit a certificate signed by an officer at the institution where you are confined showing the amount of money that the institution is holding for you.
- 7. In this motion, you may challenge the judgment entered by only one court. If you want to challenge a judgment entered by a different judge or division (either in the same district or in a different district), you must file a separate motion.
- 8. When you have completed the form, send the original and 2 copies to the Clerk of the United States District Court at this address:

Clerk, United States District Court for Address City, State Zip Code

if you want a file-stamped copy of the petition, you must enclose an additional copy of the petition and ask the court to file-stamp it and return it to you.

- 9. CAUTION: You must include in this motion all the grounds for relief from the conviction or sentence that you challenge. And you must state the facts that support each ground. If you fail to set forth all the grounds in this motion, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds at a later date.
- 10. <u>CAPITAL CASES:</u> If you are under a sentence of death, you are entitled to the assistance of counsel and should request the appointment of counsel.

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Sentencing: Texas Northern Probation Office

Earle Cabell Federal Building and United States

Courthouse

1100 Commerce Street Room 1329

Dallas, TX 75242

· Conviction for a drug trafficking crime (federal)

214-753-2500 / 214-753-2570 Phone/Fax: Subject to 18 U.S.C. 4042(B) Notification:

Relocation: [District]

[Street Address/Suite] [City], [State] [Zip]

Phone/Fax:

[Phone] / [Fax]

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Course Des	cription						Completion Date	Course Hours
CED MC/0	745-0915 M/T/TH/F -						12-03-2015	0
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WORK DATA
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Name: NAVARRO, SYDNEY MELISSA

CRW	MAINT 5	MAINTENANCE SHOP 5	11-10-2015	CURRENT
WORK HIS	I TORY			
Facility	Assignment	Work Assignment Description	Start Date	Stop Date
CRW	MAINT 5	MAINTENANCE SHOP 5	05-04-2015	11-04-2015

DISCIP	LINE HISTOR	Y		
UDC / DHO	Hearing Date	Report No.	Prohibited Act / Description	Sanction
ODC	01-04-2016	2800096	316 - BEING IN UNAUTHORIZED AREA	LP PHONE / 15 DAYS / CS COMP: LAW: LOSS OF PHONE PRIVILEGES FOR 15 DAYS. EFFECTIVE LAW: IMMEDIATELY

Facility	Assignment	Description	Start Date	Stop Date
CRW	A-DES	DESIGNATED, AT ASSIGNED FACIL	04-14-2015	CURRENT
MOVEMEN	T HISTORY			
Facility		Assignment	Start Date	Stop Date

ASE MAN	AGEMENT ASSIGN	MENTS		
Facility	Assignment	Description	Start Date	Stop Date
CRW	RPP UNT C	RELEASE PREP UNIT PGM COMPLETE	11-09-2015	CURRENT
CRW	LCP PART	LIFE CONNECT PROG PARTICIPANT	06-11-2015	CURRENT
CRW	CRW LCP 26	CARSWELL LCP TEAM 26	06-11-2015	CURRENT
CRW ·	RPP NEEDS	RELEASE PREP PGM NEEDS	03-18-2014	CURRENT
CRW	V94 CDA913	V94 CURR DRG TRAF ON/AFT 91394	03-18-2014	CURRENT

MEDICAL D	UTY STATUS ASS	IGNMENTS		
Facility	Assignment	Description	Start Date	Stop Date
CRW	YES F/S	CLEARED FOR FOOD SERVICE	06-24-2015	CURREN'
CRW	REG DUTY	NO MEDICAL RESTRREGULAR DUTY	06-24-2015	CURREN'
CRW	NO PAPER	NO PAPER MEDICAL RECORD	04-14-2015	CURREN'

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ACADEMIC

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary
	INTELLECTUAL FUNCTIONING
	no intellectual deficits nas NOT attended special education classes
(A)	LITERACY
	⊝ education level is higher than 10th grade
	LANGUAGE
	⊕ fluent in English as primary language
	COMPUTER SKILLS
	possesses keyboarding skills
	possesses word processing skills possesses internet navigation skills
	Progress and Goals
	Previous TEAM 11-09-2015
	Follow-Up: Enrolled in the General Educational Development (GED) Program.
	Recommendation: Attend classes 4 days a week or as recommended by education staff.
	Current TEAM

VOCATIONAL/CAREER *** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary.	
	EMPLOYMENT HISTORY ① unemployed at time of arrest ○ no consistent history of employment 5 years prior to incarceration ② sporadic history of employment (frequent, non-promotional job changes)	
•	CAREER DEVELOPMENT ⊕ possesses significant expertise in field ① Healthcare Practitioners and Technical - 29 ⊡ no realistic career/job goals upon release	
	INSTITUTION WORK HISTORY has a consistent institution work history Eval: 04-30-2016 Good Eval: 03-31-2016 Good Eval: 02-29-2016 Good Eval: 01-31-2016 Good Eval: 12-31-2015 Good Eval: 12-31-2015 Good	
0	POST INCARCERATION EMPLOYMENT ightharpoonup post-incarceration employment not secured ightharpoonup unable to locate employment Generated: 05-04-2016 09:08:06 Page 4	Inmate Copy ISDS Version: 1.6.2

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VOCATIONAL/CAREER *** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

no release documents obtained to date

Progress and Goals

Previous TEAM 11-09-2015

Follow-Up: None

No programming recommendations required at this time.

Current TEAM

INTERPERSONAL

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary
•	RELATIONSHIPS O victim of sexual abuse O immediate family member engaged in criminal activity Immediate family member engaged in substance abuse O negative peer influences prior to incarceration O criminal associates
	FAMILY TIES/SUPPORT SYSTEM consistent social support available Immediate Family: Financial Immediate Family: Emotional Immediate Family: General Relative: Financial Relative: Emotional Relative: General Friend: Financial Friend: General
	PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY children under the age of 21 contact maintained with children contact with other parent legally removed from financial responsibility for all children RRC (MINT) Placement is not recommended explanation for not recommending RRC placement; Will review 18-24 months prior to release.
	COMMUNICATION ① displays good communication skills

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INTERPERSONAL

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Progress and Goals

Previous TEAM 11-09-2015

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Follow-Up: Maintains appropriate communication with family and friends.

No programming recommendations required at this time.

Current TEAM

WELLNESS

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary
	HEALTH PROMO/DISEASE PREVENT
	 overweight height 5 ft. 4 in. weight (lbs) 200 BMI Score 34.3 date calculated 05-13-2015
	no regular exercise
	no evidence of behaviors associated with increased risk of infectious disease
	does not use tobacco (cigarettes, cigars, and/or smokeless tobacco)
	had a primary care provider or clinic (prior to incarceration) does not have health insurance coverage upon release
0	DISEASE/ILLNESS MANAGEMENT (+) complies with treatment recommendations and/or takes medications as prescribed, or none required
	 → medical Care Level II (Chronic care - stable) - See Exit Summary → no dental problems → no non-routine services/assistance devices needed
	TRANSITIONAL PLAN
	GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE ① has not previously received Social Security assistance ① inmate indicates he/she may not be eligible for Social Security assistance after release
	 has not served in the U.S. Armed Forces, U.S. Military Reserves, AND/OR U.S. National Guard spouse or a parent has not served in the U.S. Armed Forces, U.S. Military Reserves, AND/OR U.S. National Guard

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WELLNESS

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Progress and Goals

Previous TEAM 11-09-2015

Follow-Up: Did not complete a wellness program.

No programming recommendations required at this time.

Current TEAM

MENTAL HEALTH

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary
	SUBSTANCE ABUSE MANAGEMENT O evidence of inappropriate use of alcohol, prescription medications and/or illegal drugs in the year prior to arrest alcohol: Rarely amphetamines/speed: Daily
	no history of substance abuse treatment not currently participating in substance abuse treatment
	MENTAL ILLNESS MANAGEMENT ⊕ no history of mental health diagnosis prior to incarceration
	no mental health diagnosis during incarceration
	① no history of serious suicidal ideation or attempts
	TRANSITIONAL PLAN ⊕ no medication required upon release from custody ⊕ does not require on-going treatment after release from custody ⊕ psychology services recommends RRC placement
	Progress and Goals
	Previous TEAM 11-09-2015
	Follow-Up: None
	No programming recommendations required at this time. Current TEAM
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COGNITIVE

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary
	GENERAL BEHAVIOR
	no evidence of behavioral problems as a juvenile
	① no evidence of behavioral problems as an adult
0	CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR
	⊕ no onset of criminal behavior before the age of 14

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Θ	criminal	versatility:	convictions	in 3	or more	categories

no significant history of violence: Less than 2 violent convictions

Progress and Goals

Previous TEAM 11-09-2015

Follow-Up: Currently participating in the Life Connections Program (LCP).

Recommendation: Maintain positive interaction with staff and inmate peers. Continue LCP classes 5 X per week.

Current TEAM

maintained positive interactions with staff and inmate peers, participating in LCP, enrolled in GED, and enrolled in Parenting, working and paying FRP.

Goals: continue working, continue GED and LCP classes, complete Parenting class and continue paying FRP.

CHARACTER

*** Disregard Response Summary and utilize only the Progress & Goals section ***

Status	Response Summary				
	PERSONAL CHARACTER				
	no history of behaviors indicative of positive personal character religious assignment: NO PREFER				
	① no evidence easily influenced by other				
	PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY				
	① reports responsibility for current incarceration as:⊕ self (sole responsibility)				
	no efforts to make amends for their crime(s)				
	Progress and Goals				
	Previous TEAM 11-09-2015				
	Follow-Up: None				
	No programming recommendations required at this time.				
	Current TEAM				

LEISURE

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Status Response Summary

USE OF LEISURE TIME

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no evidence of positive leisure time activities

LEISURE

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Progress and Goals

Previous TEAM 11-09-2015

Follow-Up: None

No programming recommendations required at this time.

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DAILY LIVING

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Status	Response Summary
0	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
②	FOOD MANAGEMENT
	PERSONAL HYGIENE/SANITATION good personal hygiene and sanitation quarters assignment: HOUSE B/RANGE 04/BED 127U
•	TRANSPORTATION
	IDENTIFICATION ☐ does not have photo identification ☐ does not have birth certificate ☐ does not have social security card
	HOUSING
	no secured housing upon release in need to overcome barriers such as a criminal background

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DAILY LIVING

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RESIDENTIAL REENTRY CENTER (RRC) PLACEMENT

- not recommended for RRC placement
- (i) Managment Decision: Will review 18-24 months prior to her release.



FAMILY CARE

- not responsible for obtaining child care for any dependent children upon release
- not responsible for obtaining elder care for any dependent(s) upon release
- not responsible for obtaining any other special services for dependents upon release

Progress and Goals

Previous TEAM 11-09-2015

Follow-Up: None

Recommendation(s): Maintain daily sanitation and hygiene. Keep room and uniform neat and clean. Began saving money monthly for release needs. Obtain driver's license, social security card, birth certificate, Pass Port, and/or other identification for release purposes. Continue participating in the Inmate Financial Responsibility Program as recommended, Make final \$25.00 Financial Responsibility Program (FRP) payment.

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I.D. on File: None

You will be reviewed for the Residential Reentry Program (RRC) within 17 to 19 months, and at that time we will discuss the Second Chance Act of 2007.

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Federal Medical Center, Carswell
P.O. Box 27137
Ft. Worth, TX 76127



